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<b>AMENDMENT UNDER</b> <b>37 C.F.R. § 1.101</b> Address to: Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 	Attorney Docket No.	CNVG-007CON2
	Confirmation No.	7246
	First Named Inventor	WHAYNE, JAMES G.
	Application Number	10/613,593
	Filing Date	July 2, 2003
	Group Art Unit	3731
	Examiner Name	MENDOZA, MICHAEL G.
	Title: "DISTAL ANASTOMOSIS SYSTEM"	

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004 for which a three-month period for response was given. A Petition and Petition Fee for a one month extension of time are attached hereto making this response timely filed on or before December 24, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.